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In re patent application of :  
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Serial No: 09/223,172 ) Examiner:  
Filed: : Group Art Unit:  
For: INTEGRATED ELECTRONIC SCALE, AND A SYSTEM AND METHOD WHICH  
USES THE SCALE AUTOMATICALLY TO COMPUTE POSTAL/CARRIER RATES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted prior to an examination of the  
above-identified application on the merits.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, before "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" insert the following new  
paragraph: This is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/223,172, the  
contents of which is hereby incorporated by reference--.

Page 9, line 5, delete "(c)" and insert --14(c)--.

Page 10, line 10, delete "6" and insert --6a and 6b--, and delete "to form" and insert  
--of--.

Page 15, line 23, delete "Fig. 8" and insert --Fig. 7--.

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